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Briefing of Outgoing Attaches

- A. NSCID Directive No. 2 13 January 1948

B. Interagency Operating Procedure (IOP) No. 1

2. The immediate responsibilities within CIA for the briefing of outgoing attaches has been delegated to the Director of Training. Within the Office of Training, it is the function of the CIA Orientation officer to "Present, or arrange for presentation, as directed and approved by DCI, official CIA intelligence briefings to Service attaches and selected government officials prior to their departure to duty abroad."

3. Currently, the Army and Air Force attaches are briefed on CIA economic and scientific requirements through the medium of lectures and panel discussions conducted at the Strategic Intelligence School. As part of the most recent course at SIS, [redacted] discussed "Economic Intelligence Requirements" and [redacted] discussed "Scientific Intelligence Requirements". [redacted] lecture was followed by a discussion period at which time the students asked questions of the various ORR division chiefs who composed the panel of experts. [redacted] was the sole representative of OSI at the school. [redacted]

4. ORR and OSI are the CIA offices which are interested in the collecting possibilities of the service attaches. Mr. [] feels that the lecture method of outlining the economic intelligence requirements followed by a panel discussion is satisfactory. He believes that there are certain psychological advantages in conducting the briefing at the CIA facilities. However, the advantage of having the ORR

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division chiefs participate in a panel discussion following a lecture on economic intelligence requirements appears greater to him at this time. The saving in time, the prevention of overlap of material, and the integration of all components of ORR functions are factors which support the present method of briefing. Mr. []

[] also felt that briefing the attaches through a lecture at the SIS was, in most instances, adequate. He favors inviting to CIA for individual briefing those attaches who have been assigned to a country where it is known that certain new scientific work is in progress and where we don't have a scientific collection team stationed.

5. The Naval attaches are not being briefed by CIA personnel at this time. [] would like to conduct a lecture and panel discussion on economic intelligence requirements at the Naval Intelligence School similar to what he has done at SIS. [] also favors briefing the naval attaches on scientific intelligence requirements.

6. Both [] stated that the ultimate goal for the preparation of service attaches should be the establishment of a National Intelligence School.

7. The conclusion reached by this survey is that the present method of briefing army and air force attaches is satisfactory at this time for ORR and OSI purposes. The naval attaches are not being briefed on CIA requirements either by lecturers supplied by CIA or by a briefing conducted at the Agency headquarters. Offices in CIA other than ORR and OSI do not participate in the briefing of the attaches.

8. The following recommendations on the subject are submitted for your consideration.

It is recommended that:

A. The briefing of service attaches be conducted within the confines of CIA headquarters beyond the restraining influence of the Strategic Intelligence School.

(Interagency Operating Procedure No. 1 authorizes CIA to brief outgoing service attaches. Although, the present method of briefing attaches by lectures at the SIS is apparently satisfactory for ORR and OSI purposes, it is definitely limited by being forced into a set curriculum. It is not in the best interests of CIA to permit another agency to decide what should be included in the briefing. To gain the best psychological response and to impart the CIA viewpoint on the intelligence collection mission, it is imperative that the service attaches be presented with a well-coordinated briefing by qualified CIA personnel at the Agency headquarters without having to abide by a pre-determined lecture topic as pre-scribed by SIS.)

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B. The naval attaches be included in the CIA briefing program.

(The Chief of Naval Intelligence also agreed that CIA should be permitted to brief outgoing service attaches.)

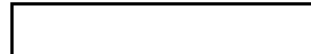
C. Offices such as OCI, OSO, OPC, and ONE should be notified of the attache briefing dates so as to give them an opportunity to participate if they so desire.

(It is conceivable that any of the offices listed above may sometimes wish to participate in the briefing function. This could easily be arranged if the attaches would report to CIA headquarters for a half or a full day of carefully planned briefings.)

D. The briefing of outgoing service attaches function be divorced entirely from the CIA participation in the lecture program of the Strategic Intelligence School.

(CIA has a definite responsibility and specific authority for briefing of attaches. This function cannot be properly performed if the wishes and interests of the SIS must always take precedence over those of CIA.)

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